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the pigs, we always would say "suey, suey, suey" and the pigs would come. I didn't realize they were a member of the Suidae family, and I suppose that's where the words came from. Senator Chambers enlightened me this morning. I had no idea where buffalo wings came from. I guess they come from Buffalo. So if this bill passes, I guess, instead of going to get your pork on a hunting preserve, you're going to have to go to Super Saver to get your pork. So with that, I would ask for your vote on this bill to advance this bill to Select File. Thank you.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Senator Schrock. You've heard the closing. Members, the question is the advancement of LB 305. All in favor please vote aye, and opposed vote nay. Please record.

CLERK: 34 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 305.

SPEAKER BROMM: LB 305 does advance. Mr. Clerk, next item.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 72, introduced by Senator Vrtiska. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 9 of this year, referred to the Revenue Committee. The bill was advanced to General File. I do have committee amendments.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Senator Vrtiska, you're recognized to open on LB 72.

SENATOR VRTISKA: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the body. LB 72 is a simple bill that would allow a checkoff donation to be added to the state income tax form. As most of you know, there are already some forms for checkoffs for various other means. And this is just another way to raise some money for the State Fair Park and the foundation that controls...that's now in place out there. I have to stress to you that this is a voluntary checkoff program, and it's not going to cost any state money. The bill would allow taxpayers to designate one dollar or more of their tax refund as a contribution to the State Fair Foundation. The designation would be authorized beginning with the individual income tax form for the year of 2003. And they have told us at the Revenue Department, they're able to get the